

REMARKS

The Official Action of November 8, 2005, and the prior art cited and relied upon therein have been carefully studied. The claims in the application remain claims 1-9, and these claims define patentable subject matter warranting their allowance. Favorable reconsideration and such allowance are respectfully urged.

Claims 1-9 remain in the application for consideration.

In response to the Examiner's objection to the drawings, Applicant has amended claim 1 to delete the feature of "the clamping tip corresponding to the second air hole" and locating the clamping tip as being "spaced apart from and facing" said coupling hole.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner's objection has now been overcome.

In response to the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, Applicant has amended the specification and the drawings to describe and show "interstice 17" and "admitting hole 18" which serve to connect the air flows from the air inlet (121) through the casing body

(12) to interact with the switch valve (50) to exit out of the casing head (11) through the first and second holes (111 and 112). Fig. 6 of the application clearly shows an arrow showing the movement of air from air inlet 121 through admitting hole 18 into interstice 17 where it then travels to exit out of casing head 11. Applicant submits that interstice 17 and admitting hole 18 are not inventive features of the claimed invention, as both are prior art clearly taught by interstice 19 and admitting hole 11 of U.S. Patent 5,960,815 to Applicant.

Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection has now been overcome.

Finally, in response to the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph rejection of claims 1-9, Applicant has amended the claims to eliminate reference to a specific country's air nozzle.

Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection has now been overcome, and that the Examiner having cited no prior art against the claims, that this application is now in condition for allowance.

The prior art documents made of record and not relied upon have been noted along with the implication that

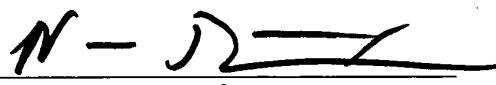
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such documents are deemed by the PTO to be insufficiently
pertinent to warrant their applications against any of
applicant's claims.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance are
earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Drawings

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 5-6. This sheet, which includes Figs. 5 and 6, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 5-6. In Figs. 5-6, previously omitted elements 17 and 18 have been added.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet
Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

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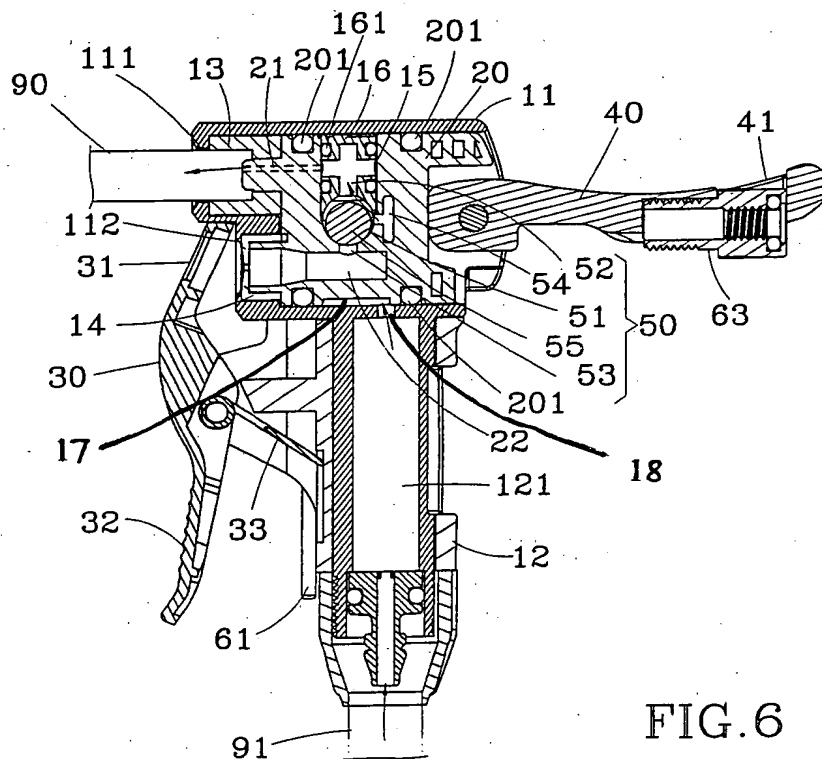
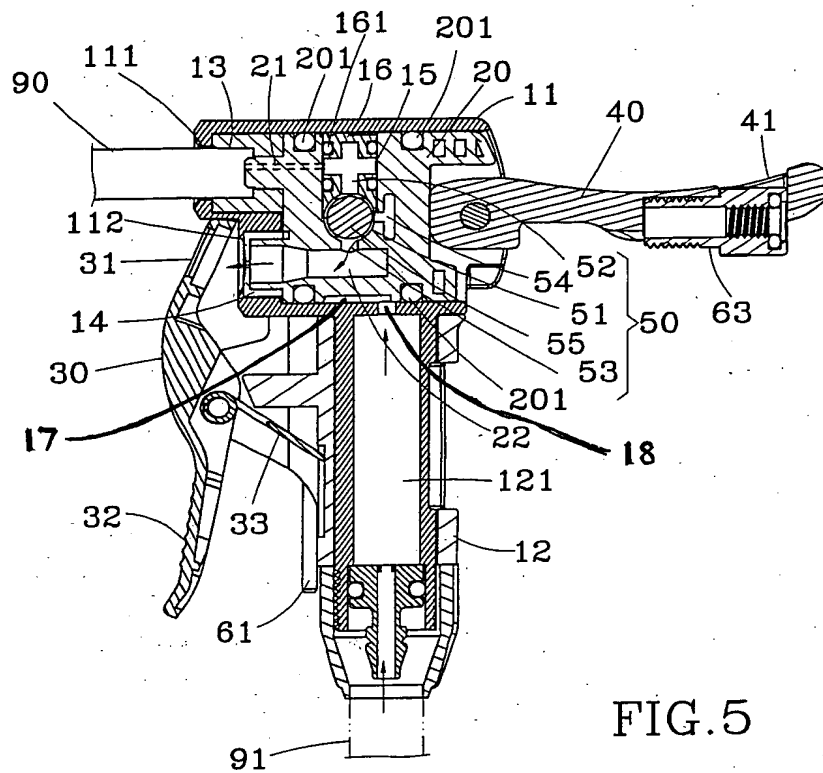


FIG.6